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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated September 2, 2003. A petition for a one month extension of time to respond is attached, along with a check for the fee therefor. Please amend the above-identified application as described below. All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.